REMARKS

Claim 1 was rejected in the prior Office Action mailed December 18, 2002. The specification was amended in an amendment and response filed June 17, 2003 but a clean copy of the amended specification was not included with the amendment. A clean copy of the specification is attached here to correct this oversight in the June 17, 2003 amendment and response.

No additional fees are believed to be due, however, the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge any fee deficiency, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 08-3038 referencing docket number 10451.0029.NPUS00.

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